

Members of the FCC:  
re:NAB's petition 04-160

I am a new subscriber to XM satellite radio and have thoroughly enjoyed the quality programming XM provides. I am disheartened to hear of the latest attempts by corporate lobbyists to limit the rights of other businesses to prosper, and my right to decide what it is I can and cannot listen to, and through which medium I listen to this information through. The National Broadcasters Association is attempting to infringe upon the first amendment right to freedom of speech by limiting the programming excellence of private, XM satellite radio. While I will continue to listen to public radio until Howard Stern is unlawfully and unwillfully removed from the air, I will not allow my rights as a consumer and the rights of XM Satellite Radio to be limited by a powerful and highly monopolized association of public broadcasters. I feel local traffic and weather reports are a valuable service of which should not be disallowed to myself because I choose to pay for higher quality radio service. Please do not allow the National Association of Broadcasters to block my right as a consumer to listen to local traffic and weather through private XM satellite radio.

Sincerely,  
Bernard Ryan